

An Historic Community with a Vision for the Future

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Francesca Restaurant Signs 10-Year Lease in Cook Street Plaza

Francesca Restaurant group has signed a ten-year lease with Cook Street Plaza for more than 5,600 square feet of space in the new downtown development in Barrington. Francesca's, well known for contemporary Italian trattoria with superb service, currently operates 12 successful restaurants in the Chicago area, with locations in West Dundee, Arlington Heights, Naperville, St. Charles, Lake Forest, Northbrook, Elmhurst, Palos Park, Forest Park and three in Chicago.

Kurt Lefler, Director of Operations for the Francesca family of restaurants said, "We are very honored and excited to be part of the Cook Street Plaza development. Barrington and the surrounding communities provide an excellent business opportunity, not only for our restaurant, but for all businesses. We are looking forward to a long and prosperous relationship with Cook Street Plaza, the Village of Barrington, and especially the local residents of Barrington and the greater Barrington area".

Cook Street Plaza, featuring shops, restaurants and condominiums, will be built on approximately one acre of property at the Northwest corner of Cook and Station Streets in the heart of Barrington. Pepper Construction Company, headquartered in Barrington, is the general contractor for the project. Construction time should be approximately 15 months from the day construction starts later this summer, according to Pepper Construction Company spokesman Peter Martin.

Cook Street Plaza is being developed by long-time Barrington residents David C. McClintock (a retired executive with Sargent and Lundy Electrical Engineers), Dyllis Braithwaite (owner of Finn's Fabrics by Dyllis) and Benjamin M. Borkon (architect and manager of Cook Street Plaza Joint Venture, LLC).



l-r: Ben Borkon, Bill Braithwaite and Kurt Lefler.

The Village of

Barrington is providing a tax incentive (TIF) loan in the amount of \$1,775,000. The new real estate taxes generated by the project are expected to repay the loan, with interest, in less than 15 years. After that, all the new real estate taxes will go to the schools, Village and other local taxing bodies. The taxes from Francesca's alone will be substantial, according to Borkon. "The new taxes are the only source of revenue to repay the loan and there is no risk to the Village. Real estate taxes from all components of the new Cook Street Plaza project are estimated to exceed \$250,000 per year. In addition sales tax revenue from Cook Street Plaza retail stores will increase substantially".

Two levels of underground parking will be constructed to accommodate 105 cars. The upper level, designated for retail shoppers, will provide three-hour free parking. The lower-level garage will be reserved for the use of the condominium owners and owners of the buildings adjacent to Cook Street Plaza who allow the vacant portions of their land to be included in a park-like plaza between their buildings and Cook Street Plaza. The central Plaza will be beautifully landscaped, offer seating areas for outdoor eating and will be a 'people place' for everyone to enjoy. The parking garage will be heated, patrolled by the Barrington Police Department and will be monitored by closed-circuit TV cameras, and will

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Francesca Restaurant in Cook Street Plaza

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have numerous security call location stations.

Upon learning that Francesca is coming to Barrington, Janet Meyer, President of the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce, stated, "We are pleased to welcome Francesca to Barrington. The Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce believes that this project development will enhance the economic core of the Village of Barrington by creating new synergies that will ultimately benefit business and residential constituencies of the Greater Barrington Area. In

addition to encouraging new business development, the Chamber is committed to making efforts to preserve and assist the existing businesses in the area."

Barrington Village Trustee, Beth Raseman, who first suggested Francesca as a possible restaurant for Cook Street Plaza, commented: "La Francesca is absolutely the perfect fit for Cook Street Plaza and Barrington. I have only heard great things about their restaurants, their food, and their commitment to the downtowns they are in. Barrington welcomes them with open arms".



Plant the Park

The first phase of Memorial Park is now complete and the Village wishes to first thank Kottke Landscape for having the vision for the park design. A special thank you also goes to all those who donated time, material and funding to make it a reality. With the help of Barrington residents, civic organizations, businesses, contractors and Village officials, Memorial Park moved from vision to reality. In an effort to improve this location as a "gathering space" for the Village and its residents, the Village staff has been working with Mike Schmechtig of Schmechtig Landscape Company to design the finishing touches for the park. The Village is seeking donations to make this next design a reality. The major categories and associated costs are listed in order of priority:

Screening:

\$10,455 An assortment of plant material placed along South Hough

Street to infill the existing maples

South Entrance: \$3,150 *An array of plant*

material designed to mirror

the west entrance

Filler Areas: \$7442 A mixture of plants,

material and labor designed to complete the planting beds located within the park

Center Wall: \$5532 An introduction of

> plant material around the memorial circle to accent the wall, plaque and seating area

Lannon Stone Retaining Wall:

Donated by Schmechtig Landscape Company

The completion of the lannon stone retaining wall, which borders the park along South Hough and East Lincoln

Schmechtig Landscape Company will be building the lannon stone wall late this summer. We would like to complete some of the planting work this fall. If you are interested in this project and would like to assist please call Village Hall at 847/304-3400 for more information.

BACOA has Moved its Offices

The Barrington Area Council on Aging (BACOA) has moved its offices to 6000 Garlands Lane, Suite 100 in Barrington. The new office, in the Prairieview Building at the Garlands of Barrington, will offer a more accessible location, and its larger size will allow BACOA to better serve both older adults and their family caregivers - an increasing population in the Barrington area.

Incorporated in 1984, BACOA has become a vital

resource to Barrington-area seniors and their families, offering information and counsel regarding services for seniors, social and recreational programs, meals with wheels, caregiver and low vision support groups, insurance and prescription drug benefits counseling and oneon-one needs assessments are among its services.

You are invited to drop in and visit BACOA at their new location.

Hazardous Waste Pick-up

SWANCC Household Hazardous Collection Event Sponsored by the Illinois EPA: www.swancc.org

AUGUST 14: Highland Park HS - North parking lot off of St. John's Avenue

LATEX PAINT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT ANY OF THESE EVENTS

The following materials are typical household chemical wastes that are usually included in a one-day HCW drop-off event. To help you determine if something is a household chemical waste, look for the words "danger" "toxic" "flammable" "corrosive" and/or "reactive" somewhere on the products packaging.

MATERIALS ACCEPTED:

Oil based paint, solvents, old prescriptions, used motor oil, household cleaners, household batteries (alkaline & rechargeable), antifreeze, garden/lawn chemicals, pool chemicals, asbestos, old gasoline, fungicides, insecticides, pesticides, metal polishes, paint remover, driveway sealer, drain cleaner, aerosol products, hobby chemicals, mercury (thermometers & thermostats).

MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED:

Business or institutional wastes, explosives or ammunition, fire extinquishers, lead-acid batteries, tires, latex paint, agricultural chemicals, fireworks, propane tanks, smoke detectors and medical waste.

Tires & lead acid batteries (auto/boat) can be recycled at any retail outlet that sells them. Residents can call SWALCO at 847-336-9340 for further information on HWC events or call Barrington Public Works at 847-381-7903.

A.R.C. Position

Due to a recent resignation, there is a vacancy on the Architectural Review Commission. The Village of Barrington is seeking a candidate with an education and experience in the design professions to fill this position for a three (3) year term and who has a working knowledge or interest in architecture, design and historic preservation. The person should be available for A.R.C. meetings, which meet at 7:30 p.m. twice a month on the second and fourth Thursday at Village Hall. For more information contact Jeff O'Brien, Planner/Zoning Coordinator, Building and Planning Department, at 847/304-3460. Please send resumes and letters of application to President Reagle at 200 South Hough Street, Barrington, Illinois 60010.



Call 304-3400 for more information.

August:

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02	Fire and Police Commission	6:30 pm
03	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm
09	Administrative Services	6:00 pm
09	Village Board	8:00 pm
10	Plan Commission	7:00 pm
12	Architectural Review Com	7:30 pm
17	Planning Zoning Econ Dev	7:00 pm
23	Public Works	6:45 pm
23	Village Board	8:00 pm
24	Plan Commission	7:00 pm
26	Architectural Review Com	7:30 pm
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Thursdays in Barrington

Every Thursday: **Barrington Farmer's Market** The Barrington Village Association is proud to sponsor the fourth annual Barrington Farmer's Market for the 2004 season. The market opened on June 24, 2004 and will operate every Thursday thereafter, through October 14, 2004 from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm.

Every Thursday Night: **Barrington Cruise Nights** From 7 to 9 p.m. come to Barrington Cruise Nights, sponsored in part by Champion Dodge Chrysler of Barrington.



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Village Vision

he Vision of Barrington is to preserve and promote its unique small town heritage, preserve its distinct ecological and historical character, provide a moral and safe environment, maintain a high quality of life through the efficient use of community resources, and respond to future challenges through citizen participation in all civic, social and cultural endeavors.

The Community is committed to preserving the quality of its neighborhoods, the quality of education, and the diversity of leisure time activities. The community is dedicated to fostering an easily-accessible center of activity for the Barrington area, maintaining a prosperous economic base, protecting its extensive natural resources and promoting public participation and communication.

HOT TIPS

SIGNS IN RIGHT-OF-WAY (Parkway)

Home for Sale signs & Garage Sale signs placed in the right-of-way (parkway) will be removed. As a good practice, do not place signs in the area between the curb and sidewalk. Contact the Building & Planning Department at 847-304-3460 for a garage sale permit application.

<u>CALL J.U.L.I.E. BEFORE YOU DIG – 1-800-892-0123</u>

West Nile Virus

As previously mentioned in the July 2004 Newsletter, the Village believes that the only sure source of protection against West Nile Virus (WNV) is one's own self-protection. residents are unaware that the Village does not spray/treat for mosquitoes, but there are other agencies and associations that do. The Northwest Mosquito Abatement District covers the Cook County side of the Village; the Lake County side of the Village is covered by a combination of Homeowners Associations that have taken on the responsibility themselves to treat for this virus. These subdivisions include: Barrington Meadows, Carriage Trail, Chippendale, Eastwood, Flint Creek, Fox Point and Jewel Park. Should other homeowners associations located in the Village in Lake County choose to treatment, we encourage them to contact the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District. The following is a list of things you can do to prevent mosquito breeding.

Emergency (Fire/Police/EMS) 9-1-1
Village Hall304-3400
Admin. Services 304-3400
Building & Planning 304-3460
Economic Dev 304-3440
Fire Dept304-3600
Police Dept304-3300
Public Works 381-7903
Water/Sewer Billing 304-3430

- If possible, limit outdoor activity at dusk and early morning.
- Wear light-colored covered clothing that minimizes exposed skin
- Prevent mosquito breeding by removing sources of standing water
- Drain/empty unused swim pools.
- Change the water in birdbaths and plant urns at least once a week.
- Check your gutters after rain events to ensure the water is not stagnating in them.
- Use mosquito repellents (children should use repellents containing 10% DEET; adults 50% DEET).

For more information, contact the N.W. Mosquito Abatement District at 847-537-2306, Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center at 847-949-9925, Cook County Health, 708-492-2035 or visit www.co.lake.il.us/health/westnile.htm.